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STORY ABOUT WASHINGTON
HAVING BEEN BAPTISED IN
TO THE BAPTIST CHURCH
IS N. G.

Someone, one to me unknown, has sent me a copy of The Kansas City West-
ern Journal of October 2, 1902, contain-
ing a marked article which head and
all is as follows:

HE WAS IMMERSED
New Light on the Religion of George
Washington—Baptism by Rev.
John Gano, Grandfather of
General Gano.

While the controversy about Wash-
ington's religion was in progress in
the columns of The Journal, I re-
member to have heard General R.
M. Gano, of Dallas, Tex., state that
his great-grandfather, John Gano, a
Baptist minister had immersed Wash-
ington in the Potomac River, and that
Gen. Gano in June, but he was absent
in Mexico, and his letter was not for-
warded. He did not want the army, as
soon as possible after his return. Gen-
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in the Confederate army, was an able
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became a noted minister in the
Christian church. He is a man of the
highest character, and of undoubted
veracity. I give the part of his let-
ter bearing on the Washington contro-
versy.

Dallas, Tex., Sept. 26, '02.
General Washington was immersed
during the Revolutionary war by my
grandfather, John Gano, a Baptist
minister. He never became a Baptist
but asked John Gano to immerse him,
stating that he believed that to be
the only baptism taught in the New
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"THE DAMNED STUFF CALLED
ALCOHOL."

I believe that alcohol, to a certain
degree, demoralizes those who make
it, those who sell it, and those who
drink it.

I believe from the time it issues
from the cooled and poisonous work
of the distillery until it empties into
the hell of crime, death and dishonor,
it demoralizes everybody that touches
it.

I do not believe that anybody can
contemplate the subject without be-
coming prejudiced against this liquid
crime.

All you have to do is to think of
the death—of the suicides of the in-
sane, of the poverty of the ignorance,
of the distress, of the little children
tugging at the faded dresses of weeping
and despairing wives, asking
bread, of the mad of genius it has
wrecked; of the millions who have
struggled with imaginary serpents
produced by this devilish thing.

And when you think of the jails,
of the almshouses, of the prisons, and
of the scaffolds upon either bank, I do
not wonder that every thoughtful man
is prejudiced against the damned stuff
called alcohol.

ROBERT G. INGERSOLL.

"Keep Church and State forever
separate"—Grant.
"In no sense whatsoever is this gov-
ernment founded upon the Christian
religion"—Washington.

"The divorce between Church and
State should be absolute."—Garfield.

FROM A MAN NEARLY BLIND
The following letter is written by
a man who says he is nearly blind,
and the letter indicates as much. I
give it as nearly as I can make it
out:

Rev. Charles Moore:
If I could see I would tell you my
name. I am a man who has been in every
government and country in the world.
When I left Egypt for the "Prom-
ised Land," it took just 13 hours. It
was immediately after the Christians
had been massacring the Moham-
medans in Alexandria. If I could see
how to write I could tell you the
cause of the trouble.

It was a drunken Christian who
made an indecent assault on a (il-
legible) Mohammedan woman. Her
husband plunged a dagger into the
heart, then was the cry "The Moham-
medans have risen against the Chris-
tians."

I wrote and published this and
other being mobbed for it in
London, for telling the truth.

You may be able to read this bit
I can see well. I am sorry I cannot
tell you how to write. I have been
China, India and the Arabs treated
better than my own Christian
brethren.

WILLIAM WALTON.

My New Book, "Dog Fennel in the
Orient."—The Orders Are Com-
ing in Blocks of Five and
Ten.

There was at first no little disas-
ter, with the name of my pro-
posed book, but, now, since people
understand that "Dog Fennel" is
the name of the famous precinct in which
I live, and the name is, therefore,
relevant, I believe there is perfect
satisfaction.

Of course I want to go to Egypt
to see the pyramids and have wanted to
do so since I was a boy.

On this day all the famous fish
stories of the New Testament have
their locations on Elkhorn
River, which I was born and now live,
as I located them as a child when
reading about them in the Bible.

I don't think I ever did believe
the Old Testament much, because the
Campbellites—my early religious faith
—don't much believe the Old Testa-
ment, but the New Testament I be-
lieved that is as far as anybody who
is not a crank can believe it—and I
have had from my childhood, born in
my paternal conditions, a longing
for Jerusalem and all the "Holy
Land," as you will see, in "Behind
the Bars," 31488, that I once started
down on foot, and only broke down
from home sickness, on my road
through Europe.

You all know pretty well whether
you would probably enjoy a book that
I would write under such circum-
stances, and while I do not want
to subscribe for the book only to be
paid for—\$1 when it is ready to be
sent to you, unless you think
would be a good investment of your
money, I do earnestly ask you to send
me your names now, if you ever ex-
pect to read it.

No man will ever again, write
about Palestine, if about anything
else, so readable a book. Mark
Twain's "Innocents Abroad"—a book
which so deep down in purpose that
the rabble never understood it, was
a smiting under the fifth rib of the
Christian religion, showing that then
man, as has been since more plainly
shown, Mark Twain was an infidel.

My knowledge of theology and
of Biblical literature would give me
an advantage that Mark Twain was
not even given to this day.

I believe that for \$1.00 I would give
you a really and profitable book that
ordinarily would cost you at least \$1.
You a readable and profitable book,
the cheapest possible just as I do my
paper.

Two Palestine excursion com-
panies have declined to give me any
percentage upon parties that I might
bring with me, so with one or the other
them, apparently fearing that their
ships, along some where in the Medi-
terranean might have another ship-
wreck and whole episode, so that I believe
it will be necessary for me to get
Low subscribers for my book to en-
able me to go.

If you expect to help me by taking
50 cents at \$1.00 or 5 or more at 80
cents each, please let me hear from
you NOW, no money to be paid me
until you are notified that the book
is ready for you.

THINKS I WILL GO TO JERICO.
Cincinnati, O., Oct. 12, 1902.

Dear Bro. Moore:—I think you will
get to go to Jericho. Wish I could go
with you. Put me down for \$2.00 for
two "Dog Fennels."

FRANKLY.

Answer—I hope I may go, but there
are two things either of which will
keep me from going.

One is to have my friends think
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DEATH

OF BRO. WILLIAM CARROLL, OF
HARTFORD CITY, INDIANA—
FUNERAL CONDUCTED BY
DR. T. J. BOWLES.

William Carroll was born Septem-
ber 25, 1823, and died October 8, 1902,
at his beautiful country home and
farm seven miles Southwest of Hart-
ford City, Blackfoot County, Indiana,
where he had lived the greater part
of his life—aged 71 years and 28
days.

Direct cause of death was a rupture
of a blood vessel on the brain, pro-
ducing unconsciousness, with appar-
ent painlessness, for little more than
two days.

The day of the funeral was subser-
dine in bright and clear, remaining
calm, under an azure sky.

Dr. T. J. Bowles, our most worthy
and capable physician, and Dr. L. E.
P. for years the personal and ad-
mired friend of the deceased, had
charge of the obsequies at the home
and at the grave, in the Odd Fellows
Cemetery, near Hartford City.

The funeral was fittingly and elo-
quently conducted, by an assembly of
relatives, friends and neighbors, num-
bering several hundred, who came to
attend and their farewell respects
to the honored dead.

The eulogy was grand and was a
precious record of the deceased's
community, for rationalism, common
sense and wisdom.

The deceased was married in 1868
and leaves an estimable wife, three
daughters and a son.

Bro. Carroll was a member of the
last funeral meeting on the National
Liberal Press Writers Association, and
one of its founders, and having for
years previous written voluntary letters,
individually to various efforts, to
realize and educate them, I still fol-
low that line of action in propagating
the cause which I believe I prefer for
moral cause.

Bro. Carroll was the grave of
Thomas Paine, at New Rochelle, New
York. Mr. Carroll being the fourth
above 73 at that time.

William Carroll was a remarkable
tax collector, since in his day he
was chosen, detesting shame and by-
poocrisy.

Left fatherless at 14 years of age,
with a mother and younger brother
and two sisters on a small piece of
land, in the green woods, he had to
follow his father's lead, and pre-
form the honorable and upright duty
of the more dependent son; hence
his chances for getting an education,
even as they were in those days of
Indiana, sixty years ago, were slender.

Induced, but he became a student
and observer, as well as a zealous
reader of more interesting daily top-
ics, thereby gaining the knowledge
and force of character that command
attention whenever he spoke.

Most of his early years, men, half
a century ago, upon the discovery
of gold near Pike's Peak, he caught
the fever, and in 1859, sought
fortune by prospecting in the Rockies.

Five years were spent in Colorado,
and in 1864, he returned to his home,
fairly good success, he came home to
care for his old mother in her declin-
ing years, and purchased a large farm
alongside the home track and settled
down to live the life of a typical
farmer.

Years after he had a longing to
again visit the West and S. S. Carroll
left for the West, and in 1870, sought
Colorado and contiguous States, on to
California, starting on January 5,
1870.

His memory would bring back the
times they traveled "overland" and
the hardships of the journey. He re-
marked: "Only think, we were
traveling six weeks on the road from
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, before
we sighted his majestic mountain."

One day was taken up in going up
the "Divide" through Clear Creek
Canyon to Silver Lake, and Black
hawk, near by which he found the
spot at the head of a ravine where
he and his brother and Uncle and
on plank, on the 4th of July, 1870
Cousin began with a rip saw, cutting
large boxes for washing dirt
for gold.

I have been over the route traveled
from Silver Lake to the mouth of
the Snake River, and have been re-
minded of the expression he made
as we traveled, up or down
the mountain, and gorge, around
under towering cliffs, from one to
two thousand feet high, "Miller,
the brother and Uncle and
transportation, by the cog-wheel
railroad above the clouds and the
crazy of Pike's Peak."

For several weeks we were compan-
ions, he was always the same; ever
generous and noble of high prin-
ciple and noble deeds and actions
with him he happened to meet.

His few faults were of small im-
portance.

ment as compared with the worthy
practice and charitable deeds of his
whole life.

Upland, Ind., Oct. 10, '02.
Comment—I never saw Bro. Carroll
except the one time at the Cincin-
nati Congress of the National Liberal
Party, where I saw him much and in-
timately. He is just such a man as
Bro. Miller says he is.

INFRINGING ON MY COPYRIGHT.
The Truth Seeker—Bradford, Eng-
land; not New York—speaks of the
Pope as being a Catholic. I claim that he
should, at least, put it in quotation
marks.

I claim a copyright on "Sinner's
Life" that ought to be (if it is not) pro-
tected by the international copyright
law. The bloody Highlanders!

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ers intending to visit California
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man, George T. Bruce, 1162 East Ver-
non Avenue.

MORE CATHOLIC CRIME
Of the two burglars, Whitney and
O'Brien who murdered a man in
China, in Lexington, the newspapers
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olic, voluntarily told to Turnkey Be-
man, who is also a Catholic. It is not
generally credited."

"O'Brien this afternoon asked that
a priest be sent him and the message
was conveyed to Father B. J. Con-
nally, of the Holy Cross church."

I challenge all the Christians in
the world to write me any case where
any infidel has murdered any man for
his money. I will print all alleged
cases that may be sent me, and will
investigate them and report.

There are hundreds, if not thou-
sands, of cases every year, in the
United States, where Christians mur-
der men and women for their money.

THE CHICAGO
NEW VOICE

The Prohibition Paper of the "Windy
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GOOD JOKE ON PASTOR

REV. E. W. MECUM DECIDED TO
TEST THE MEMBERS BUT
WAS SORELY DISAP-
POINTED

Independence, Oct. 7.—(Special)—
Rev. E. W. Mecum, partly for sport
and partly to test the generosity of
his church members, played the role
of a tramp. He had been away on
a vacation and during the stay grew
out a full beard, hiding his identity.

He donned old suit and old hat
and called on his best friends asking
for something to eat. In half the in-
stances he was not even offered a
stone the scriptures speak of. Now
that he has made the trip pub-
licly who refused look as if it would
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But strip it of its imperial and aristocratic alliances, its proud social functions, and withdraw the enormous expenditures of money spent in its maintenance, and let it propagate naturally through intellectual affirmation, just as science or any fact advances, and where would it be in a few years?

The fact is plain that Christianity survives, not by intellectual and moral assent, but by imperialistic and aristocratic intrigue, and by vast expenditures of money used in shaping the mind of the Christian, and organizing, and using him as a tool to dominate and coerce his fellow man.

If even every government of Europe would refuse to support it, and this compel it to take its place among other creeds, and stand upon its own merits, how long would it remain a power?

THEY OPPOSE RENAN STATUE

The proposal to erect a statue to Renan at his birth place among the evoking great opposition from France. The bishop of Saint Brieux has written a letter to the president of the cathedral at Angoulême referring to Renan as an impious blasphemer, and saying that the erection of a statue to him would be sacrilege. The local priest says a religious procession will never be allowed to pass through a street where there is such a statue.

It will be remembered that the Pope himself opposed the erection of a statue to Bruno in the Holy City and issued a bull, calling upon the whole Christian world to rise up and oppose it. But up the statue went, and 30,000 people from all over Europe assembled at its base, and there it stands today overlooking the Vatican. When the Pope himself is powerless to resist the advance of infidels going up in Rome, how ridiculous is the attempt of the Bishop of Brieux to stop the erection of a statue to Renan.

It's useless to hear the hell-bells of superstition bay at infidel progress. It is not general, but the Catholic Church has made a saint of some obscure fellow by the name of Bruno, with the intention to lead the ignorant away from any real knowledge of the original Bruno. A lady liberal in the Vatican, who is conversing with a Catholic girl, and told her about Giordano Bruno. The young lady denied everything, saying that "Bruno is a saint of the Church, and I can prove it."

Poor fool girl, St. Olm, Get her money and her head, By the chink.

PROTESTANT RECOGNITION

IN PORTUGAL

For the first time in the existence of the Portuguese government it has officially recognized the existence of the character of the "evangelical" schools which exist in that country in spite of the government opposition. The occasion was the presentation of a monument to a celebrated Portuguese poet, patriot, and statesman, Almeida Garrett, who was born in 1799. For the erection of this monument all school children were invited to contribute verses, and the schools being distinctly included in the official invitation.—Christian Work.

The Christian Work might have gone farther and told how Free thought and Socialism are advancing in Portugal, and how Catholics themselves, as in Spain, are openly defying the Papal power.

All that Monks' story madness has to go with railroads, and machinery, and inter communication and competition with the world is large.

Protestantism is always a wedge, and as it serves to split up and divide superstition, its progress, therefore, is to be welcomed in Portugal. Protestantism is about as big a dose of intelligence as those poor bone worshipping can take at one time.

SULTAN AS AN AUTHOR

Vienna, Oct. 11.—Die Information says the Sultan has written an autobiography which will fall on the civilized world like a bomb. The paper says, has exposed in it the duplicity of Christian monarchs and statesmen who have deceived him in order to gain his favor. He lays bare the diplomatic secrets of the past 25 years, and denounces Christian civilization as hypocritical. The work, according to Die Information, will be published after the Sultan's death as a posthumous revenge on Europe.

The Sultan, it is without doubt the greatest statesman of modern times in Europe. The Christian press in Europe and America, of course denounce him for every reason, just as they portray the worst features of Chinese and other Eastern civilizations, and never say a word about the good.

Military authorities have declared that the Sultan has the finest and best fighting army in Europe. It is he, and since the glory of Emperor William rests upon the army at his back, then the Sultan must be taken away about William. But the difference is—he is a Mohammedan. Dr.

Nicolas Sens, the famous Chicago surgeon, who has just completed a tour of the world, says that the hospital of the Sultan is the finest and best equipped in the world.

The power of the Sultan as a statesman and diplomat may be reckoned, when we consider that all Christian Europe is arrayed against him, and he is wedged in between Russia and the rest of Europe, and all that saves him from being dumped clear out is the jealousy of the Western powers of Russia. The traps and schemes and lying hypocrisy of all these Christian nations who have tried to use the Sultan to trip each other up, will now be laid bare. The Sultan, evidently, intends to give the world a fair sample of Christian diplomacy, to contrast with that of the heathen. Of course he has the papers to back him up, and the old Pope will have his hands full to defend the Sultan of Turkey. Several years ago, when all of Christian Europe were coming in an editorial reference to the Dardanelles, the Pope leading them on he publicly asked, "Who is that old fellow who is so sure of himself, and meddle with my affairs?"

Teddy Roosevelt wouldn't have the sand and grit to do that.

METHODISTS AROUSED

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The Vatican, in the editorial, sends out a message to the President asking him if it is true that he has been made a "cat's paw" by the Catholic Church.

Methodists and other Protestants are in a state of excitement over nothing about this, and I have not seen or heard of Roosevelt denying it to those who have written the article. There are a lot of Protestants who are ready to denounce such an act as a violation of the constitution, but who themselves are trying to put their God in the Constitution. They are all alike, enemies of free government and enemies of the constitution into shreds if they had the power.

There is an open fact that Roosevelt is playing into the hands of the Pope, and it is still plainer that Protestants are either too stupid or too afraid to protest against it.

While Catholicism is going to the howls in Europe, where it is known, it is climbing up fast here—and here upon Freedom's soil, it will make its last bold stand.

There is going to be a great big religious stir raised in this country before many years, and when the air is again clear of the stench, the world will be disgusted with Christian sham and pretense, and relegating it to the lumber-room of worn out and useless things.

The teachings of old Ben Franklin, Tom Paine, Tom Jefferson, George Washington, James Madison and Abraham Lincoln cannot be overthrown by the imported rot and rubbish of decaying aristocracies and dead civilizations.

BIBLE KNOCKED OUT.

The Supreme Court of Nebraska has rendered a decision against the reading of the Bible or the singing of religious songs in the public schools. "Exercises in the public school," says the Court, "are a public school, says the Court, 'is a school building in school hours, and in the presence of a teacher, consisting of the reading of passages from the Bible and in singing of religious songs, or hymns, or prayers, to the duty in accordance with the doctrines, beliefs, customs or usages of sectarian churches or religious organizations, is forbidden by the constitution of the state.'"

In his opinion the Judge says that it does not express their personal inclination, that the law prohibits anything that forms a part of the belief of sectarian denominations from being read in the public schools. It is not common for judges to go out of the way to make personal explanations of their private opinions, but the Nebraska Judge has been looked for a storm of public opposition regardless of whether their decision was sound or not.

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But we saw and did that it letters were thus sent from all parts of the country, and a Comanche girl raised, and a Comanche girl raised, and before they would violate the Constitution of their States.

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THE NATIONAL LIBERAL PARTY

Wants to double its membership by its next Convention in January. It can be done if each member now on the roll will take it upon himself to secure one other member.

If of Liberal want a defensive organization they must work for it. It is their duty.

It is almost a waste of time to stop at a membership of 500 to 1,000. This number will bring to the Treasury many dollars, which will only pay the running expenses—of printing, salaries, postage, bonds for officers, annual Conventions, etc. We must have a surplus for defensive operations. Otherwise all we will amount to is the talk we do during the year meet in an Annual blow-out and effect nothing.

Out of 100,000 outspoken Liberals in this country, we ought, at least, to have a membership in a year or two of 10,000.

The most the A. S. U. ever had was 2,500. It had to beg all the time, and spend \$2.00 in postage to get \$1.00 in.

Now we don't want to beg. We want to not to have to beg. For my part, I won't.

The A. S. U., the N. L. P. and the Free Press Writers all together have not a membership of 1,000.

Many of these are members of all three organizations. Each of them ought to have enrolled many thousands.

It is the duty of every Liberal in this country to unite with some organization—if not with the N. L. P. with the Free Press Writers, or with the A. S. U. and the Free Press Writers.

Let us never stop until we get 10,000 members. We must mean \$10,000 for Liberalism, and then we can go at the enemy like a bomb in the night.

Wake up! Wake your neighbor up. Send in your name at once to the Secretary, and let us go "Way to the South," Dixie, an even thousand strong.

A BIG FOUR

The membership of the N. L. P. has a large sprinkling of women in it, which adds greatly to its dignity and strength.

Every woman adherent lends the encouragement of two men. We gain by conquest, if we do not lose by men to our side. Every time we gain a woman—we gain a family.

Our ranks we have the brains of the brainiest women in the United States. An organization honored by the membership of such women is an honor to the cause it espouses.

The oldest of these, and the one longest continued in Freedom, is Josephine K. Henry. In my opinion the brainiest, brightest woman in America. It is not only the management of the abilities of any other woman, or from association or friendship with her, but her own brain. She is a woman of greater individuality than Mrs. Henry. She has had vigorous health to support her vigorous brain. She has had the advantages of living in the East, where the intellect is not only more general, and of mingling in the thickest of the fight. She has won distinctions and a group name, she is justly merited. Old Honor and glory to her, and to her. Few have such a cold, clear, few have brain and persistence. But for keen, quick, clear conception, bright imagination, broad grasp of great questions, and forceful, virile expression, what woman is equal to Mrs. Henry?

I have read the speeches of Carrie Chapman Catt, Annie L. Shaw and many other brilliant women, but they lack in point, force, effect and individuality. They do not rise above the crowd, who handle great and serious questions as pleasing parties. Ella Wheeler Wilcox has depth but no breadth. She discourses brilliantly on ordinary matters, but does not grasp great issues. Sentiment prevails over facts. Women who are still tinged with superstition do not rise to burning issues. The free brain must rank the highest.

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"HEAVEN CERTIFICATES."

Topeka, Kas., Oct. 15.—United States Senator Burton, just returned from Hawaii, where he went as one of the special commissioners, says: "The Hawaiians are fine people, but they are in hard lines just at present. A number of Americans have been given many of the natives certain 'heaven certificates' which they are to have in exchange for their lands. A number of the more ignorant natives have been given these certificates. Those who have learned their mistake are naturally a little suspicious."

This statement of U. S. Senator Burton well illustrates the mischief wrought for the transaction of the missionary nature. One of its worst features is that it disgraces the nation and demoralizes its civilization. Missionaries do not seek to make MEN of the heathen, but simply to make them the property of the missionaries. The more easily plundered they are, the more successful the missionaries.

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THE WOMAN ALWAYS

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Prosecutor of the Holy Synod points out the fact that the woman always gets the worst of it. St. Petersburg, via Berlin, Sept. 20.—The Carina's position is growing extremely precarious at court, for, although divorce is forbidden by the Orthodox Greek Church, there is a strong feeling, shared by peasants and aristocrats alike, that some kind of compromise should be made to let her see her husband as a wife who is likely to bear the Carina her life the throne.

Pobidonosteff, the procurator of the Holy synod, who, through the agency of his priests, has already undermined the Carina's position with the masses because he believes her adoption of the orthodox faith insincere, is suspected of fomenting this agitation for a divorce.

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